

NOTICE OF MEETING
Arizona State Parks Board
Natural Areas Program Advisory Committee (NAPAC)

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02 and A.R.S. § 41-501.03, notice is hereby given to the members of the Natural Areas Program Advisory Committee (NAPAC) and to the general public that the NAPAC will hold a meeting open to the public on **Thursday, April 26, 2007, at 12:00pm, at Arizona State Parks, 1300 W. Washington Street, Basement Board Room, Phoenix, Arizona.** Some of the Committee members may participate via telephone. The Committee may, by majority vote, elect to hold an Executive Session, closed to the public, for any item on this agenda to consider records exempt by law from public inspection pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2). Public comment may be taken during the open public session. The Committee will discuss and may take action on the following matters:

AGENDA - April 26, 2007
Meeting convenes at 12:00p.m. at
Arizona State Parks, 1300 W. Washington St.
Basement Board Room
Phoenix, Arizona
(The Chair may change the order of the agenda.)

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND STAFF/ROLL CALL

C. OLD BUSINESS

1. Approval of NAPAC minutes for the meeting of March 22, 2007 - minutes previously distributed electronically. (est. 5 minutes)
2. Distribute copies of current Off-Highway Vehicle Legislation in preparation for Amy Racki's presentation at the May 24, 2007 NAPAC meeting. Members are encouraged to formulate questions for Ms. Racki prior to that meeting. No discussion of this topic at this time.
3. Update and discussion on Lone Mountain Ranch as a possible acquisition for the Natural Areas program.
4. Update and discussion on Rickett's Mine property as a possible acquisition for the Natural Areas program.
5. McGrew Springs update and discussion, including discussion of designating Natural Areas within existing State Parks.
6. Huggett Property updates including easement discussion and purchase process status update.
7. Update and discussion of COD Ranch as a possible acquisition for the Natural Areas program.
8. Update and discussion of the Capitan Chiquito property at Aravaipa.
9. Discussion of Oracle SP conservation deed, and update on discussions with Defenders of Wildlife.

10. Discussion of NAPAC's charge, structure and purpose, including the authority to conduct business, the mission and structure of subcommittees, the public face of NAPAC and the ASP Board, and NAPAC's goals and objectives for 2007-2008.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion of any current MOU between Arizona State Land Department (ASLD) and ASP regarding fire services, the impact to existing Natural Areas and State Parks.
2. Discussion of fire plan on the San Rafael State Natural Area (SRSNA).
3. Discussion of Dr. Ken Kingsley's membership, including impact on NAPAC and how to alleviate that impact, and possible review of the last set of candidate applications.

E. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Discussion of the following topics will take place in the subcommittee meetings. The subcommittees will report on their discussions to the Committee as whole during this time. **Member participation in each subcommittee will again be discussed, as well as recruitment of new members into subcommittees.**

1. Natural Areas Management Guidelines subcommittee: Update and a report on progress of developing the Guidelines with discussion if necessary.
2. Update on the interim San Rafael State Natural Area Management Plan materials, report and discussion if necessary.
3. Update on Verde River Greenway – Report on the next steps in the Conservation Action Planning (CAP) process and discussion if necessary.
4. Update from Land Acquisition subcommittee, Acquisition Process Working Group, including discussion if necessary.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

The Committee may allow up to five minutes for members of the public to present comments or complaints to the Committee. Those wishing to address the Committee must register at the door and be recognized by the Chair. It is probable that each presentation will be limited to one person per organization. Committee action as a result of public comment is limited by law to directing staff to study or reschedule the matter for further consideration or discussion on a future agenda.

G. BOARD COMMENTS, REQUESTS, AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS.

The Committee may discuss matters of procedure relative to its meetings, including future agenda items, requests from the public of items to be discussed, etc. Committee members may also wish to raise issues of concern and direct staff to place such items on future Committee meeting agendas.

H. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

May 24, 2007 – 12:00pm (location undetermined)

Committee to set further meeting dates, times and locations for the remainder of the year.

I. ADJOURNMENT

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Dated this ____ day of April, 2007.

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Questions regarding this meeting or the Natural Areas program and/or committee should be directed to Joanne Roberts, NAPAC Coordinator at jroberts@asztateparks.gov or at 520-586-4139